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SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT WITH MLADENOV REGARDING CSCE

1. DEPARTMENT CONCURS IN YOUR PRESENTATION TO MLADENOV
WITH FOLLOWING CHANGES WHICH ARE KEYED TO
SOFIA 2606:

2. CBM'S (PARA 2C): YOU SHOULD MAKE POINTS ALONG
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FOLLOWING LINES: "IF BULGARIANS HAVE ANY OBSERVATIONS
ABOUT HOW PROCEDURES WITH RESPECT TO CBM'S CAN BE IMPROVED,
WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR THEM. MEANWHILE, WE NOTE THAT
BULGARIA HAS NOT ACCEPTED ANY OBSERVER INVITATIONS FROM
WESTERN NATIONS THUS FAR, BUT HOPE THAT YOU WILL CONSIDER
POSITIVELY ANY SUCH INVITATIONS IN THE FUTURE. ALSO, WE

WOULD BE INTERESTED TO KNOW HOW BULGARIA PLANS TO IMPLEMENT CBM'S, I.E. WHETHER YOU INTEND TO NOTIFY ANY EXERCISES DURING THE NEXT YEAR.

3. ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL INFORMATION (PARA 2D). YOU SHOULD PRESS BULGARIANS FOR PUBLICATION OF MORE COMPLETE ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL INFORMATION, PARTICULARLY IN FOREIGN TRADE SECTOR. DRAWING ON SOFIA 2574 AND 2146, YOU SHOULD STRENGTHEN PRESENTATION BY CITING SPECIFIC EXAMPLES OF BULGARIAN WEAKNESS IN THIS AREA.

4. DIVIDED FAMILIES (PARA 2G). WE AGREE THAT LOW-KEY EXPRESSION OF US SATISFACTION RE BULGARIAN PROGRESS ON DIVIDED FAMILY CASES IS WARRANTED. HOWEVER, YOU SHOULD NOT LET OPPORTUNITY PASS TO PRESS MLADENOV FOR FURTHER PROGRESS IN THIS AREA. RE MAREV CASE: IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED FORMAL MFA TURN-DOWN PRIOR TO MEETING WITH MLADENOV, YOU MAY WISH TO CONSIDER RAISING THIS CASE WITH HIM.

5. MFN (PARA 3A). YOU SHOULD STATE THAT WE SUPPORT THE LANGUAGE OF THE FINAL ACT WHICH RECOGNIZES THE BENEFICIAL EFFECTS WHICH CAN RESULT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE FROM THE APPLICATION OF MOST FAVORED NATION TREATMENT. YOU SHOULD INDICATE THAT WE HOPE FOR PROGRESS IN THIS AREA NEXT YEAR.

6. NON-FIRST USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS (PARA 3E). YOU SHOULD NOT RAISE THIS TOPIC, BUT IF RAISED BY MLADENOV, YOU MAY STATE THAT OUR REACTION TO THIS PROPOSAL IS CONFIDENTIAL

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REFLECTED IN THE NATO MINISTERIAL COMMUNIQUE.

7. YOU SHOULD INDICATE THAT WE REGARD MEETING WITH MLADENOV AS PART OF A SERIES OF BILATERAL CONTACTS ON CSCE -- THE RESULTS OF WHICH SHOULD BE PURSUED AT THE WORKING LEVEL BY EACH SIDE DURING INTERVALS BETWEEN MEETINGS. YOU SHOULD ALSO POINT OUT THAT SUCH MEETINGS CONSTITUTE NORMAL DIPLOMATIC EXCHANGES. (FYI: WE DO NOT WISH TO CONVEY IMPRESSION THAT WE WISH TO ENTER INTO ANY FORMAL NEGOTIATIONS OR "AGREEMENTS" ON IMPLEMENTATION. END FYI) YOU SHOULD ALSO NOTE THAT SUSTAINED PROGRESS IN ALL AREAS OF FINAL ACT WILL BE ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT BETWEEN NOW AND BELGRADE FOLLOW-UP MEETINGS NEXT YEAR.

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